Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned application.

1. (Original) A compound of formula (I),

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{4} \\
R^{5}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{3} \\
R^{5}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{3} \\
R^{1}
\end{array}$$
(I)

the N-oxide forms, the addition salts and the stereo-chemically isomeric forms thereof, wherein

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen or taken together with R¹ may form a bivalent radical of formula -CH=CH-CH=CH-;

 R^1 is C_{1-6} alkyl or thienyl;

R² is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl or taken together with R³ may form =O;

R³ is a radical selected from

$$-(CH_2)_{S^-} NR^8R^9$$
 (a-1),
 $-O-H$ (a-2),
 $-O-R^{10}$ (a-3),
 $-S-R^{11}$ (a-4), or
 $-C\equiv N$ (a-5),

wherein

s is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

 R^8 is –CHO, C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkylcarbonyl, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkylcarbonylamino C_{1-6} alkyl, piperidinyl C_{1-6} alkylaminocarbonyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy, thienyl C_{1-6} alkyl, pyrrolyl C_{1-6} alkyl, aryl C_{1-6} alkylpiperidinyl, arylcarbonyl C_{1-6} alkyl, arylcarbonylpiperidinyl C_{1-6} alkyl, haloindozolylpiperidinyl C_{1-6} alkyl, or aryl C_{1-6} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyl;

R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl;

 R^{10} is $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl, $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkylcarbonyl or di($C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl)amino $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl; and

R¹¹ is di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

or R³ is a group of formula

$$-(CH_2)_{t}-Z-$$
 (b-1),

wherein

t is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from

$$R^{12}$$
 R^{12} R

$$R^{13}$$
 R^{12}
 R^{12}

wherein each R¹² independently is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy,

$$-C_{1-6}$$
alkanediyl $-N$, $-C_{1-6}$ alkanediyl N ,

 $C_{1\text{-}6}alkyloxyC_{1\text{-}6}alkyl, C_{1\text{-}6}alkyloxyC_{1\text{-}6}alkylamino, \ di(phenylC_{2\text{-}6}alkenyl), \ piperidinylC_{1\text{-}6}alkyl, C_{3\text{-}10}cycloalkyl, C_{3\text{-}10}cycloalkylC_{1\text{-}6}alkyl,$

aryloxy(hydroxy) C_{1-6} alkyl, haloindazolyl, aryl C_{1-6} alkyl, aryl C_{2-6} alkenyl, morpholino, C_{1-6} alkylimidazolyl, or pyridinyl C_{1-6} alkylamino; and each R^{13} independently is hydrogen, piperidinyl or aryl;

 R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, trihalomethyl, trihalomethoxy, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyloxy or C_{1-6} alkyloxycarbonyl; or

when R⁵ and R⁶ are on adjacent positions they may taken together form a bivalent radical of formula

-O-CH₂-O (d-1), -O-(CH₂)₂-O- (d-2), -CH=CH-CH=CH- (d-3), or -NH-C(O)-NR¹⁴=CH- (d-4), wherein R¹⁴ is C₁₋₆alkyl;

aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkyloxy;

with the proviso that when

n is 0, X is N, R^1 is $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, R^2 is hydrogen, R^3 is a group of formula (b-1), t is 0, Z is the heterocyclic ring system (c-2) wherein said heterocyclic ring system Z is attached to the rest of the molecule with a nitrogen atom, and R^{12} is hydrogen; then at least one of the substituents R^4 , R^5 or R^6 is other than hydrogen, halo, $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl or $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy.

- 2. (Original) A compound as claimed in claim 1 wherein n is 0 or 1; X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen; R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl; R² is hydrogen; R³ is a radical selected from (a-1) or (a-2) or is group of formula (b-1); s is 0, 1 or 2; R⁸ is C₁₋₆alkyl or arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; t is 0, 1 or 2; Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from (c-1), (c-2), (c-3), (c-4), (c-5) or (c-11); each R¹² independently is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino; each R¹³ independently is hydrogen; and R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo or C₁₋₆alkyl.
- 3. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein n is 0 or 1; X is N; R¹ is C₁₋₆alkyl; R² is hydrogen; R³ is a radical of formula (a-1) or is a group of formula (b-1); s is 0; R⁸ is arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl; t is 0; Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from (c-1) or (c-2); each R¹² independently is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyloxyC₁₋₆alkylamino; each R¹³ independently is hydrogen; and R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently selected from hydrogen or halo.

4. (Currently Amended) A compound selected from compound No 5, compound No 9, compound No 2 and compound No 1:

compound 5; compound 9
$$C_2H_2O_4$$
 (1:2); compound 1 $C_2H_2O_4$ (2:5); and

and the N-oxide forms, the addition salts and the stereo-chemically isomeric forms thereof.

- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.
- 7. (Cancelled)
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, <u>said</u> <u>method</u> comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I)

$$\begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ R^{5} \\ R^{6} \end{array} \stackrel{R^{2}}{\longrightarrow} \begin{array}{c} (\operatorname{CH}_{2})_{n} \\ X \\ X \\ \end{array} \stackrel{H}{\longrightarrow} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R^{1} \\ \end{array} \qquad (I)$$

the N-oxide forms, the pharmaceutically acceptable addition salts and the stereo-chemically isomeric forms thereof, wherein

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen or taken together with R¹ may form a bivalent radical of formula -CH=CH-CH=CH-;

 R^1 is C_{1-6} alkyl or thienyl;

R² is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl or taken together with R³ may form =O;

R³ is a radical selected from

$$-(CH_2)_{S^-} NR^8R^9$$
 (a-1),
 $-O-H$ (a-2),
 $-O-R^{10}$ (a-3),
 $-S-R^{11}$ (a-4), or
 $-C\equiv N$ (a-5),

wherein

s is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

 $R^8 \ is \ -CHO, \ C_{1\text{--}6}alkyl, \ hydroxyC_{1\text{--}6}alkyl, \ C_{1\text{--}6}alkylcarbonyl,$

 $di(C_{1\text{-}6}alkyl)aminoC_{1\text{-}6}alkyl,\ C_{1\text{-}6}alkyloxyC_{1\text{-}6}alkyl,\ C_{1\text{-}6}alkylcarbonylaminoC_{1\text{-}6}alkyl,$

 $piperidinyl C_{1\text{--}6} alkyl, \, piperidinyl C_{1\text{--}6} alkylamino carbonyl, \, C_{1\text{--}6} alkyloxy,$

thienyl C_{1-6} alkyl, pyrrolyl C_{1-6} alkyl, aryl C_{1-6} alkylpiperidinyl,

 $arylcarbonyl C_{1\text{-}6} alkyl, \, arylcarbonyl piperidinyl C_{1\text{-}6} alkyl, \,$

haloindozolylpiperidinyl $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl, or

arylC₁₋₆alkyl(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl;

 R^{10} is $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl, $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkylcarbonyl or di(C $_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl)aminoC $_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyl; and

R¹¹ is di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl;

or R³ is a group of formula

$$-(CH_2)_t-Z-$$
 (b-1),

wherein

t is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

(c-9)

Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from

wherein each R¹² independently is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy,

(c-11)

$$-C_{1-6}$$
alkanediyl $-N$
 $-C_{1-6}$ alkanediyl N
 O

(c-10)

 C_{1-6} alkyloxy C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy C_{1-6} alkylamino, di(phenyl C_{2-6} alkenyl), piperidinyl C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl,

aryloxy(hydroxy) C_{1-6} alkyl, haloindazolyl, aryl C_{1-6} alkyl, aryl C_{2-6} alkenyl, morpholino, C_{1-6} alkylimidazolyl, or pyridinyl C_{1-6} alkylamino; and each R^{13} independently is hydrogen, piperidinyl or aryl;

 R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, trihalomethyl, trihalomethoxy, $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy, di($C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl)amino, di($C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl)amino $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy or $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxycarbonyl; or

when R⁵ and R⁶ are on adjacent positions they may taken together form a bivalent radical of formula

aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkyloxy.

- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Previously Presented) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy of comprising administration of a compound according to claim 1, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy.
- 11. (Previously Presented) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy of comprising administration of a compound according to claim 1, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.
- 12. (Original) A combination of a compound of formula (I) with a chemotherapeutic agent

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^4 \\
R^5 \\
R^6
\end{array}$$
(CH₂)_n

$$\begin{array}{c}
H \\
N \\
N \\
\end{array}$$
(I)

the N-oxide forms, the pharmaceutically acceptable addition salts and the stereo-chemically isomeric forms thereof, wherein

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is N or CR⁷, wherein R⁷ is hydrogen or taken together with R¹ may form a bivalent radical of formula -CH=CH-CH=CH-;

 R^1 is C_{1-6} alkyl or thienyl;

R² is hydrogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl or taken together with R³ may form =O;

R³ is a radical selected from

$$-(CH_2)_{S}-NR^8R^9$$
 (a-1),

$$-O-R^{10}$$
 (a-3),

$$-S-R^{11}$$
 (a-4), or

$$--$$
C≡N (a-5),

wherein

s is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R⁸, R¹⁰ and R¹¹ are each independently selected from -CHO, C₁₋₆alkyl,

 $hydroxyC_{1\text{--}6}alkyl,\,C_{1\text{--}6}alkylcarbonyl,\,amino,\,C_{1\text{--}6}alkylamino,\\$

di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonylaminoC₁₋₆alkyl,

piperidinylC₁₋₆alkylaminocarbonyl, piperidinyl, piperidinylC₁₋₆alkyl,

piperidinylC₁₋₆alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, thienylC₁₋₆alkyl,

 $pyrrolyl C_{1\text{--}6} alkyl, \ aryl C_{1\text{--}6} alkylpiperidinyl, \ arylcarbonyl C_{1\text{--}6} alkyl, \ arylcarbonylpiperidinyl C_{1\text{--}6} alkylpiperidinyl C_{1\text$

 $_{6}$ alkyl, haloindozolylpiperidinyl $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, or

 $arylC_{1\text{--}6}alkyl(C_{1\text{--}6}alkyl)aminoC_{1\text{--}6}alkyl; \ and$

R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl;

or R³ is a group of formula

$$-(CH_2)_t$$
-Z- (b-1),

wherein

t is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

Z is a heterocyclic ring system selected from

$$HN = R^{12} HN = R^{12}$$
(c-1) (c-2) (c-3) (c-4)

$$R^{12}$$
 R^{12}
 R^{13}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}
 R^{12}

wherein each R¹² independently is hydrogen, halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, amino, hydroxy,

(c-11)

(c-10)

(c-9)

 $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkylamino $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyloxy, $C_{1\text{--}6}$ alkyloxy $C_{$

 C_{3-10} cycloalkyl, C_{3-10} cycloalkyl C_{1-6} alkyl, aryloxy(hydroxy) C_{1-6} alkyl, haloindazolyl, aryl C_{1-6} alkyl, aryl C_{2-6} alkenyl, aryl C_{1-6} alkylamino, morpholino, C_{1-6} alkylimidazolyl, or pyridinyl C_{1-6} alkylamino;

each R¹³ independently is hydrogen, piperidinyl or aryl;

 R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, trihalomethyl, trihalomethoxy, $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy, amino, amino $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, di($C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl)amino, di($C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl)amino $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy or $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxycarbonyl, or $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy, or amino $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyloxy; or when R^5 and R^6 are on adjacent positions they may taken together form a bivalent radical of formula

aryl is phenyl or phenyl substituted with halo, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkyloxy.

- 13. (Previously Presented) A process for preparation of a compound as claimed in claim 1, comprising
- a) hydrolysis of intermediates of formula (VIII),

b) cyclization of intermediates of formula (X), into compounds of formula (I) wherein X is CH, herein referred to as compounds of formula (I-j), and s.

$$\begin{array}{c} C \\ R^{4} \\ R^{5} \\ R^{6} \end{array} \xrightarrow{R^{2}} (CH_{2})_{n} \xrightarrow{NH} C \xrightarrow{C} CR^{1} = C \xrightarrow{C} C_{6}H_{5} \xrightarrow{R^{4}} R^{2} \xrightarrow{R^{2}} (CH_{2})_{n} \xrightarrow{H} C$$

$$(X) \qquad (I-j)$$

c) condensation of an appropriate ortho-benzenediamine of formula (XI) with an ester of formula (XII) wherein R^h is C₁₋₆alkyl, into compounds of formula (I), wherein X is N, herein referred to as compounds of formula (I-i), in the presence of a carboxylic acid.

14. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 2.

- 15. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 3.
- 16 (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and as an active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 4.
- 17. (New) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 2.
- 18. (New) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 2, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy.
- 19. (New) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 2, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.
- 20. (New) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 3.
- 21. (New) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 3, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy.
- 22. (New) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 3, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.

- 23. (New) A method of treating in a subject a PARP mediated disorder, said method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 4.
- 24. (New) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of chemotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 4, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to chemotherapy, prior to administration of said chemotherapy.
- 25. (New) A method for enhancing the effectiveness of radiotherapy comprising administration of a compound according to claim 4, in a therapeutically effective amount so as to increase sensitivity of cells to ionizing radiation, prior to administration of said radiotherapy.
- 26 (New) A combination of a compound with a chemotherapeutic agent wherein said compound is a compound of claim 2.
- 27 (New) A combination of a compound with a chemotherapeutic agent wherein said compound is a compound of claim 3.
- 28 (New) A combination of a compound with a chemotherapeutic agent wherein said compound is a compound of claim 4.
- 29. (New) A product made by the process of claim 13.
- 30. (New) A pharmaceutical composition made by the process of claim 13.